

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : CONSENT PRELIMINARY ORDER  
- v. - : OF FORFEITURE AS TO  
: SPECIFIC PROPERTY  
SEAN JONES, : S1 22 Cr. 242 (PMH)  
Defendant. :  
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WHEREAS, on or about December 13, 2023, SEAN JONES (the "Defendant"), was charged in a Superseding Information, S1 22 Cr. 242 (PMH) (the "Information"), with receipt and distribution of child pornography, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 2252A(a)(2)(B) and (b)(1) (Count One);

WHEREAS, the Information included a forfeiture allegation as to Count One of the Information, seeking forfeiture to the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 2253(a), of any visual depiction described in the offense set forth in Count One, and any book, magazine, periodical, film, videotape, or other matter which contains any such visual depiction, which was produced, transported, mailed, shipped or received in violation of Chapter 110 of Title 18, United States Code, and any property, real or personal, constituting or traceable to gross profits or other proceeds obtained from the offense charged in Count One of the Information and any property, real or personal, used or intended to be used to commit or to promote the commission of the offense charged in Count One of the Information or any property traceable to such property;

WHEREAS, on or about December 13, 2023 the Defendant pled guilty to Count One, pursuant to a plea agreement with the Government, wherein the Defendant admitted the forfeiture allegation with respect to Count One of the Information and agreed to forfeit to the

United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 2253, all right, title and interest of the Defendant in the following specific property seized from the Defendant's residence on or about April 7, 2022:

- a. one G7 Dell Portable Laptop, serial number 1XJT9A01 with power cord;
- b. one black iPhone in a black case;
- c. one Acer Laptop, serial number NXMG7AA00644100BE97200 with power cord; and
- d. one iPad Air Gen 4 Model: MYFW2LL/A, serial number DMPG30BSQ16V,

(a. through d. collectively, the "Specific Property");

WHEREAS, the Defendant further consents to the forfeiture of all his right, title and interest in the Specific Property, which constitutes property used or intended to be used to commit or to promote the commission of the offense charged in Count One of the Information; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(g), and Rules 32.2(b)(3), and 32.2(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, the Government is now entitled, pending any assertion of third-party claims, to reduce the Specific Property to its possession and to notify any and all persons who reasonably appear to be a potential claimant of their interest herein;

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and between the United States of America, by its attorney Jay Clayton, United States Attorney, Assistant United States Attorney T. Josiah Pertz, of counsel, and the Defendant and his counsel, Ben D. Gold, Esq., that:

1. As a result of the offense charged in Count One of the Information, to which the Defendant pled guilty, all of the Defendant's right, title and interest in the Specific Property is

hereby forfeited to the United States for disposition in accordance with the law, subject to the provisions of Title 21, United States Code, Section 853.

2. Pursuant to Rule 32.2(b)(4) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, this Consent Preliminary Order of Forfeiture as to Specific Property is final as to the Defendant SEAN JONES, and shall be deemed part of the sentence of the Defendant, and shall be included in the judgment of conviction therewith.

3. Upon entry of this Consent Preliminary Order of Forfeiture as to Specific Property, the United States (or its designee) is hereby authorized to take possession of the Specific Property and to hold such property in its secure custody and control.

4. Pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(n)(1), Rule 32.2(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, and Rules G(4)(a)(iv)(C) and G(5)(a)(ii) of the Supplemental Rules for Certain Admiralty and Maritime Claims and Asset Forfeiture Actions, the United States is permitted to publish forfeiture notices on the government internet site, [www.forfeiture.gov](http://www.forfeiture.gov). This site incorporates the forfeiture notices that have been traditionally published in newspapers. The United States forthwith shall publish the internet ad for at least thirty (30) consecutive days. Any person, other than the Defendant, claiming interest in the Specific Property must file a Petition within sixty (60) days from the first day of publication of the Notice on this official government internet web site, or no later than thirty-five (35) days from the mailing of actual notice, whichever is earlier.

5. The published notice of forfeiture shall state that the petition (i) shall be for a hearing to adjudicate the validity of the petitioner's alleged interest in the Specific Property, (ii) shall be signed by the petitioner under penalty of perjury, and (iii) shall set forth the nature and extent of the petitioner's right, title or interest in the Specific Property, the time and circumstances

of the petitioner's acquisition of the right, title and interest in the Specific Property, any additional facts supporting the petitioner's claim, and the relief sought, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(n).

6. Pursuant to 32.2 (b)(6)(A) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, the Government shall send notice to any person who reasonably appears to be a potential claimant with standing to contest the forfeiture in the ancillary proceeding.

7. Upon adjudication of all third-party interests, this Court will enter a Final Order of Forfeiture with respect to the Specific Property pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(n), in which all interests will be addressed.

8. Pursuant to Rule 32.2(b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, the United States Attorney's Office is authorized to conduct any discovery needed to identify, locate or dispose of forfeitable property, including depositions, interrogatories, requests for production of documents and the issuance of subpoenas.

9. The Court shall retain jurisdiction to enforce this Consent Preliminary Order of Forfeiture as to Specific Property, and to amend it as necessary, pursuant to Rule 32.2 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

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10. The signature page of this Consent Preliminary Order of Forfeiture as to Specific Property may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original but all of which together will constitute one and the same instrument.

AGREED AND CONSENTED TO:

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By: /s/ 5/2/2025  
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DATE

SEAN JONES

By:  5-29-25  
SEAN JONES

DATE

By:  5/29/25  
BEND. GOLD, ESQ.  
Attorney for Defendant

DATE

SO ORDERED:

  
HONORABLE PHILIP M. HALPERN  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

5/29/25  
DATE